

5th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

RE: Behaviour at Queensbury Academy

I am writing to parents and carers at this time to inform them of some key updates that we intend to make to the behaviour system at our Academy. These changes will better enable us to improve the quality of the education that we provide and help us to fulfil our Academy Vision.

‘Choice’ is the key word in our consequence system. Pupils choose their behaviour and therefore can choose to be rewarded or choose to be sanctioned. Pupils will now only have two warnings in lessons before they ‘choose’ a consequence.

Each consequence has a number: C1 – warning, C2 - second and final warning, C3 – teacher sanction, C4 – removed from lesson to the Reflection Room plus a 30 minute after school detention (if a pupil receives two of these in a day they will be asked to remain in the Reflection Room), C5 – 1-hour after school detention or Friday Senior Leadership Team (SLT) Detention until 4:30pm, C6 – consequence to be agreed by Senior Staff and communicated to parents/carers. For example, this could be a Fixed Term Exclusion followed by a reintegration meeting into the Academy, C7 – permanently excluded from school.

The ‘C4’ School detention will be 30 minutes (2:45pm -3:15pm) and if students do not attend the C4 detention they effectively ‘choose’ a ‘C5 double’ detention (2:45pm – 3:45pm). If a student fails to attend a C5 1 hour detention, without a valid reason, they will be escalated to a Senior Leadership Team detention on the next available Friday until 4:30pm.

Parents/carers will be informed via email/text message of any detentions given.

Thank you for your anticipated support with this issue.

Yours faithfully,

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